

Amendments to the claims (this listing replaces all prior versions):

Claims 1 – 24 (cancelled).

25. (original) A currency dispenser comprising

a substantially linear paper path arranged between (a) an opening in a money box through which currency can be withdrawn and (b) a dispensing location at which the currency can be dispensed to a customer, the paper path comprising rotational shafts arranged to transfer the currency,

a housing configured to support the paper path to receive the money box, the housing including two parallel spaced-apart molded side walls, a third molded side wall between the two parallel molded side walls, a molded top wall configured to support electromechanical drive elements, and a molded bottom wall, the five walls being separate pieces,

plastic snap-in bearings mounted on the parallel side walls and configured to support ends of the rotational shafts, and

a double-detect mechanism mounted on the paper path at the money box opening, the double-detect mechanism comprising a rotating element that is electromagnetically coupled to a detector on a stationary element.

Claims 26-34 (cancelled).

35. (previously amended) A method comprising

determining the presence or absence of a flaw in currency being dispensed to a customer, routing the currency either to a dispensing location or to a retention location depending on the detected presence or absence of the flaw, and

causing the currency to be routed by default to the retention location in the absence of a determination that a flaw is not present,

the default routing being applied only to the first bill in the series after which the remaining bills in a series of bills are routed by default to the dispensing location.

36. (original) The method of claim 35 in which the flaw comprises a double bill or a bill that is too thick or too thin.

37. (original) The method of claim 36 in which the routing is done by a movable mechanical element.

Claim 38 (cancelled).